

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 959 – SB 1126

June 17, 2009

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (010055): Deletes the language of the original bill. Requires handgun carry permit applications and renewal applications, and certain information contained therein, to be open and available for public inspection and reproduction. Requires documents pertaining to a handgun carry permit which has been revoked or suspended to be open and available for public inspection and reproduction. Requires the Department of Safety (DOS) to redact certain identifying information prior to making information available for public inspection or release. Requires any person requesting inspection or requesting copies of such information to pay all reasonable costs incurred by DOS to reproduce any requested document or information.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

(CORRECTED)

Increase State Revenue – Not Significant

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Other Fiscal impact – A potential loss of \$45,655,000 in federal funding derived from the Title IV-D Child Support Program and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grants.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Revenue - \$35,000

Increase State Expenditures - \$35,000

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- According to DOS, the Department currently does no redacting of information upon release of handgun permit records. As a result, the

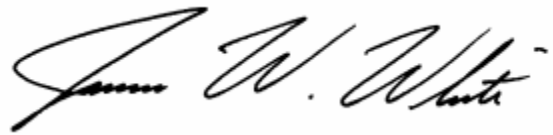
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Department will require one additional position (a Clerk 3 position) to perform this function. The associated increase to recurring state expenditures is estimated to be \$35,000 per year (\$19,800 salary, \$10,200 benefits, \$5,000 other).

- This bill as amended requires any person requesting information to pay the costs associated with the Department making such information available to the public. As a result, DOS will charge appropriate fees to offset any costs incurred. DOS has indicated that such fees should be sufficient for offsetting the increased expenditures associated with the one additional position. Therefore, a recurring increase to state revenue estimated to be \$35,000 per year.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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